GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Marketing Department – AP Markfed – Procurement of KP Onion by Markfed in AP particularly in Kadapa District – KMS 2018-19 - Permission - Orders - Issued.

AGRICULTURE & COOPERATION (MKTG.II) DEPARTMENT

G.O.RT.No. 96 Dated: 07-02-2019.

Read the following:-

1. G.O.MS.NO.6, Agriculture & Cooperation (MKTG.II) Department dated 03-01-2007.
2. From MD, A.P MARKFED, letter no Rc.No. P&M/KP Onion/MIS/2018-19 Date: 03-01-19.

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O R D E R:-

In the letter 2nd read above, the Managing Director, AP Markfed has reported that total KP Onion area sown in AP is about 6885 acres and that the total expected production is about 24,540 MTs. He further reported that during current season, the farmers are not getting remunerative prices and that there is a demand from farmers representatives for intervention by Government.

2. He further reported that the net price being paid to the farmers is about Rs. 1200 to Rs. 1400 Qtl for above 25mm size KP Onions without any under sized component. There is no domestic consumption for this variety and that it is meant only for export and that as the exports are yet to pick up, the farmers are resorting to distress sale. He has also requested the Govt. for approval of the grade specifications along with prices per Qtl for different grades.

3. Government after careful examination of the matter hereby accord administrative sanction to AP Markfed to commence the activity of procurement of KP Onions upto 31-03-2019. As regards the specifications and the rates for different grades, the annexure enclosed to this order shall be followed.

4. AP Markfed is nominated as nodal agency for procurement of KP Onions under MIS.

5. To pass on benefit of the scheme to more number of small and marginal farmers, the maximum acceptable quantity from each farmer is restricted to 100 Qtls or actual, whichever is less.

6. In order to avoid recycling/damage of the stocks, they should be liquidated either through Rythu Bazzars or sold through open/e-auction to the exporters immediately to ensure maximum realizable price to reduce the losses on government account.

7. The working capital for procurement of KP Onions shall be met from the CMF/ AMC funds or working capital loan available with AP Markfed and the losses if any will reimbursed to Markfed by the State Government.

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8. The District Collectors will constitute the required purchase teams at procurement center. A purchase team to be constituted with one horticultural officer/agricultural officer, Agmark grader and Markfed representative who will verify the quality of the stock and do the grading.

9. The District Collector, Kadapa will take necessary steps to identify the genuine farmers and arrange to issue coupons already printed and supplied. The arrivals will be regulated to the manageable limits by giving village wise/mandal wise programs to the farmers to bring their produce on specified days/dates, so that the teams deployed at the centers can grade, certify quality and purchase from the farmers in the same day.

10. Marketing Department shall position necessary equipment's like Sieves, Tarpaulins, weighing machines and earmark necessary sheds and godowns in the procurement center to be opened at Mydakuru, Kadapa District. Similarly, the MARKFED District Manager should also inspect the available necessary equipment's at the purchase center well in advance in order to make use of such equipment's at the time of procurement. Agricultural Market Yard Secretary should also ensure to provide sufficient weighment scales and hamalies in the procurement center.

11. The Marketing Department and the District Collector shall take action to ensure the adequate publicity is given to the farmers through press, electronic media, beat of drum (tom-tom), leaf lets etc., to create awareness among the farmers about the MIS operations, and grade specifications, the location of purchase centers and the procedure being followed for procurement of KP Onions under MIS. All the required details be displayed at the Gram Panchayat Office in all the KP Onions growing villages.

12. The payment of money to the farmers should be done by online payments only.

13. Commission @ 2.5% on purchase of KP Onions will be provided to the purchasing agency i.e. AP Markfed for conducting these operations in addition to other administrative expenses involved thereof.

14. The State Level Committee Constituted under GO RT No. 674 Agriculture & Cooperation (Coop-I) Department dated 24-09-2018 will supervise the procurement and disposal of KP Onions procured through MIS.

15. AP MARKFED will be allowed incidental charges on actual, which include purchase tax, mandi tax, godown charges, packing material. Loading/unloading, Commission, transportation, grading and Packing stitching charges and Hamali charges etc.

16. Disposal of the procured KP Onions shall be done in the manner as was done in the previous instances of procurement of KP Onions by the Government. However, the price discovery shall be done by open notification in a transparent, competitive manner.

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17. After disposal of the stocks, Managing Director, AP MARKFED shall submit finalized accounts duly audited by statutory Auditors for reimbursement of losses if any by State Government as per the MIS guidelines in force.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

B.RAJSEKHAR,
SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
The Managing Director, AP MARKFED, Vijayawada.
CC to Commissioner of Horticulture, Guntur.
CC to Commissioner and Director of Agricultural Marketing, Guntur.
CC to Commissioner for Cooperation & Registrar of Cooperative Societies, Guntur.
CC to District Collector, Kadapa
PS to Additional Secretary to Chief Minister.
PS to Special Chief Secretary (Agricultural Marketing & Cooperation).
PS to Hon'ble Minister (Horticulture).
PS to Hon'ble Minister (Cooperation & Marketing).
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ANNEXURE to G.O.Rt.No. 96 , A&C (Mktg.II) Department, dated:07.02.2019

GRADE SPECIFICATIONS

	GRADE I	GRADE II	GRADE III	GRADE IV
Size	25mm and above without any under sized component not exceeding 10%	25mm and above with under sized component between 10 to 20%	25mm and above with under sized component between 20 to 30%	25mm and above with under sized component between 30 to 40%
Colour	Light Rosy to Dark Rosy			
Price/ Qtl,	Rs 2000/-	Rs 1900/-	Rs 1800/-	Rs 1700/-

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